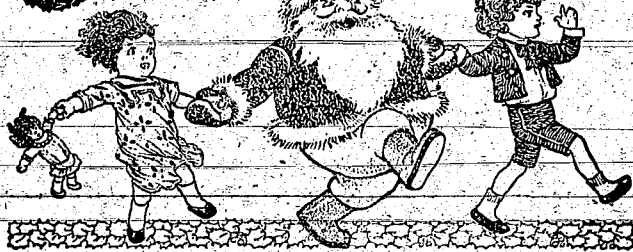


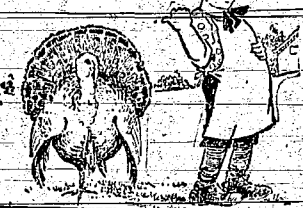
CHRISTMAS



The butcher boy says

THE TURKEY'S
THE THING

BY THE TURKEY CO. EDITOR



There are some necessary "fixings" for the X-Mas feast, but after all the piece-de-resistance is the "turk". Plum pudding comes in for a late share of the days' pleasure, but the fowl must be sweet and tender or the meal is a failure.

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THE TRUTH ABOUT
WOOD ALCOHOLINTERESTING ARTICLE BY
D. HARRIS.Corrects Statements Made in This
Paper December 5th.Detroit, Mich.
December 12, 1912.

Editor Avalanche:

Saw your article "Wood Alcohol instead of Gasoline," in December 5th Avalanche and was, naturally, very much interested in it. It is quite evident, however, that the source of your information was not a very reliable one and presuming that you would not object to being set right on some points wherein the article is incorrect, I take the liberty of invading your sanctum and, perhaps at my serious risk, calling your attention to some of the apparent discrepancies in the article in question.

In the first place I think the writer of your article has in some way confounded wood alcohol (methyl alcohol) with the ordinary Alcohol of commerce (ethyl) they being two separate and distinct products and, different chemical construction, as well as being produced in an entirely different manner and, on account of cost of production from different material.

Wood alcohol is always produced by distilling wood, by heating the wood in close retorts, while ethyl alcohol is always produced by fermenting sugar of some kind and may be produced from any material containing sugar or starch, such as potatoes, beets, etc., corn, rye, wheat, molasses, refuse from sugar beet and cane sugar factories, etc.

The internal revenue tax on ethyl alcohol is about \$2.08 a gallon, but there is no special tax of any kind on wood alcohol. Under our present laws ethyl alcohol may be "denatured" by mixing with it certain other products to make it unfit for drinking purposes, the principal thing for this purpose being wood alcohol.

When so denatured the tax is removed (under certain governmental regulations) and this denatured alcohol is then sold at a very much lower price than clear wood alcohol, but wood alcohol always has brought a higher price than denatured alcohol not only in this country but in every civilized country in the world.

From the above you can see that if any alcohol is to be used as a substitute for gasoline it is not going to be wood alcohol it must be ethyl alcohol instead and if the internal revenue tax could be removed it might be sold at a very much lower price than at present, but for obvious reasons that is something that cannot be expected for a long time.

I have investigated the alcohol subject from the standpoint of this country and of every European country and am satisfied that the present generation will never see alcohol sold for ten cents a gallon or anywhere near that price. In Germany the situation is different. They have no coal oil fields and the price of gasoline has not been below 19c (our money) for several years, as they depend almost entirely upon the Russian and American oil fields for their supply.

Germany has adopted combustion engine power for her military wagons and her naval launches, etc., and not being a producer of gasoline, this commodity would, in the case of her being engaged in war, be declared contraband of war and thus destroy the usefulness of her army wagons and naval launches, etc., and for this reason Germany is trying hard to find some substitute for gasoline that can be produced from raw material that is indigenous to Germany, or at least that can be produced in that country and so obviate the danger that might arise from being dependent upon imports and thus being subject to being suddenly cut off.

German chemists now lead the world in the application of chemistry to commercial problems, but they have found nothing so far from which alcohol can be made, and that can be obtained in Germany, that is cheaper than potato or beet sugar refuse and they have so far been unable to get the cost down below 22 cents per gallon, our money.

In our country the cheapest thing for making alcohol from is refuse molasses from southern cane sugar refineries, and they have not been able to make it at a cost below 20 cents per gallon, and as it must be "denatured" with 10 percent of wood alcohol selling at about 55 cents per gallon and you can see that it would bring the cost up to 23 1/2 cents per gallon and the manufacturer must of course have a profit on that, so you can see the chances for substituting alcohol of any kind for gasoline, in combustion engines are not very good, to say the least.

The gasoline problem is going to be a very serious one in the near future unless some new unknown fields may be discovered, through which the world's supply can be very materially augmented and it must be borne in mind that the supply must be sufficient

to satisfy the entire civilized world, because with the aid of tank ships it can cheaply be distributed to the uttermost ends of civilization and any material advance in the price of gasoline in any civilized country will immediately be responded to by an advance in every other country.

It must also be borne in mind that our tariff laws are a very strong factor in keeping the price up in this country and the oil trusts will spend millions in preventing the possibility of gasoline, or even raw oil, from being admitted here in competition with them.

For the above reasons I can not see

SCHOOL NOTES.

Interesting News From Our Educational Institution.

Monthly tests are in order this week. Hazel Waldron had the misfortune to sprain her wrist.

The art exhibit mentioned last week has been postponed.

The first grade made some neat boxes for Christmas.

Gordon Chamberlain of the eighth grade has returned to school.

Christmas trees already adorn most of the grade rooms. Appropriate ex-

A Merry Christmas

To our Readers, both far away and near, is the wish of this Publisher.

where there is much hope for relief in the near future for the present high cost of fuel for combustion engines, and automobile owners may as well adjust their expense account to present conditions and hope for something to turn up and relieve them.

It is possible that the construction of automobile engines may be so revolutionized in the near future as to avoid the terrible loss of power now practically wasted, and so economize the gasoline as to very materially reduce the consumption per horse power and this alone would be a big factor in the matter. Surely, science has a field of application here that is well worth the efforts of our rising generation of chemists and chemical engineers and, as America is fast gaining on Germany in this line, we can confidently hope it will only be a few years at best before some American chemist will prove to be the cheap power industry what Edison has been to the electrical field, and bring about some change that will make us independent of the oil trusts that now has us figuratively speaking, by the throat.

NEW AUTO TRUCK COMPANY
ORGANIZED.Dr. C. F. Underhill, of Grayling,
Vice President.

From Ann Arbor Daily News, December 7.

If the plans of the reorganizers of the Huron River Manufacturing Company succeed, the new Star Motor Car Co. which has taken over the old company will develop into one of the most important industries in this city.

The new company, headed by Gottlob Lueck of this city as president, with Dr. C. F. Underhill, of Grayling, as vice president, and E. J. Butler, of Seattle, as treasurer, has taken over all of the Huron company's assets for \$53,970, and has paid all the old company's debts. The new company capitalized at \$500,000, will start business with a clean slate.

"We propose, if possible, to form a board of directors of 15 members, some of whom will be eastern capitalists," said Dr. Underhill this morning. "That is the reason why we organized under the laws of Maine. Under the laws of this state we could only have seven directors, but as we desire to have all interests represented on the board of directors, we felt a larger number was necessary. We expect to enlarge the present plant by erecting a paint house and body house. You can't build an automobile complete in one building because the dust and dirt spoils the finish. We intend to manufacture a utility car and light truck, something like the ones the Huron company has been turning out, but embodying some improvements of our own. There is a big market for a car of this kind. There are plenty of trucks selling for \$1,750 or thereabout but no good serviceable light truck at a moderate price. Our car will be equipped with a 30 horse power Continental engine, one of the best engines on the market. The truck will be manufactured in capacities ranging from 1,000 to 2,500 pounds and will range in price from \$700 to \$1,500.

"We already have several orders for cars of this kind. Our main selling office of course will be in Detroit. We decided to locate in Ann Arbor for a number of reasons. For one thing, the town is near Detroit, which is, of course, the automobile center. Then, we believe we will be able to manufacture cars more cheaply here than in Detroit. We have no complicated labor conditions to meet here and there are other advantages. We were offered inducements to locate in Lansing, but we came here because we found the Huron company already had a factory building and was turning out a car that was giving satisfaction. By doing so we were enabled to begin six months before we would be able to commence anywhere else. We will be opening this winter here, whereas had we gone to Lansing we would not have been able to get started before next summer.

ercises will be given by several of the grades Friday afternoon.

Ruth Brenner of the fifth grade has been out of school because of illness.

Some exceptionally nice calendars have been drawn by the different rooms.

Mr. Ellsworth has been reading "The Second Mrs. Jim" by Stephen Conrad for morning exercises.

Axel Peterson and Chester McMahon of the eighth grade have returned after an absence because of sickness.

Mrs. Thirwald Peterson entertained the teachers and other friends in honor of Miss Dykes Wednesday evening.

Miss Bennett has been absent since Tuesday because of sickness. Miss Simpson has charge of Miss Bennett's room.

The girls' basketball team will go to Gaylord to play the Girl's High school team Friday night. Mr. Ellsworth will accompany the team in the capacity of coach and chaperon.

The basketball game between the Gaylord High school team and our high school boys last Friday evening was well attended. It was a one-sided game, our boys being too much for Gaylord; the game resulted in a score of 37 to 13 in our favor. Our high school has a good team and it is to be regretted that they cannot have more games this season.

Quotations from morning exercises in the high school:

"The largest thing a person does in all his doings is the making of himself."

"There is positively no substitute for consistent, persistent hard work. It is something that needs to be done."

"Many men are the perpetual slaves of vile thoughts; because in youth they allow their mind to dwell upon vile things, but many a man is a tower of strength because his years have been given to the highest and noblest types of thinking."

"An old maid is any living thing, male or female, human, horse, cat, pig or chicken, that's so snicky, so particular about some little thing that don't amount to much, that he don't pay attention to some of the really important things of life." Mrs. Jim.

Ladies' Tailor-Made Clothes.

I have now the new line of samples for fall and winter on hand for ladies tailor-made clothes, made by the New York "Garment Co." Satisfaction Guaranteed. A. E. HANDELSMAN, Merchant Tailor, 912 1st.

Probate Notice.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Grayling, in said County, on the 11th day of December, A. D. 1912.

Present: Hon. Wellington-Batterson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of George Oscar Palmer, deceased.

Oscar Palmer, administrator of said estate, having filed in said court his petition, praying for license to sell the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described at private sale for the purpose of distribution.

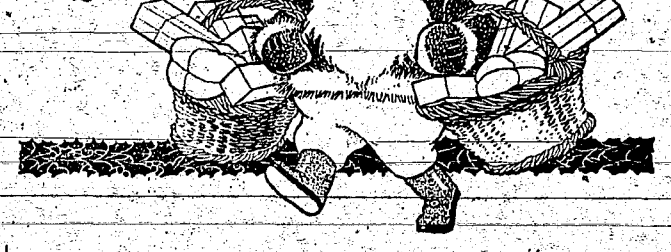
It is ordered, that the 17th day of January, A. D. 1913, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing of said petition and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license to sell the interest of said estate in said real estate should not be granted.

It is further ordered, that public notice of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

WELLINGTON BATTERSON,
Judge of Probate.

A true copy.
Wellington-Batterson,
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Bread—Freddy Bear

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Bacon

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Peas

Tomatoes

Pumpkins

Beans

Was beans

Olives—any size

Mince Meat

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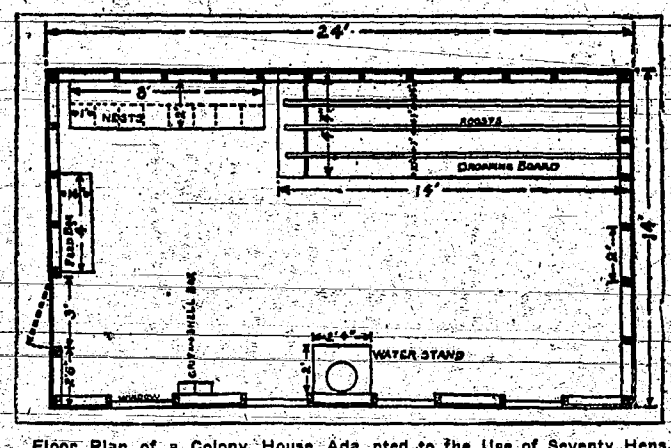
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CONSTRUCTION OF POULTRY HOUSE NOT DIFFICULT TASK FOR ANY HANDY FARMER.

Plain, Simply Built Structure, Well Lighted, Dry and Properly Ventilated Without Drafts, Is All That Is Required—Seventy Hens Taken as Basis for Colony Coop.



Floor Plan of a Colony House Adapted to the Use of Seventy Hens.

(By H. L. KEMSTER.)
The average farmer's flock of poultry varies in size, but in the designing and building of the farmer's colony house herein described, seventy laying hens will be taken as a basis.

The house, 14x24 feet in dimensions, is built on a wall 6x8 inches above the ground, which is filled in to the top, making the floor dry at all times of the year. The south or front side the nature of the weather, and by 16 feet 8 inches high, the back 4 feet 8 inches, while the plate and eaves are made of 2x4 inch material, thus making the studding 6 feet long in front and 4 feet in the back, these being placed 2 feet apart. The combination tight roof being comparatively flat. The flat having 1 foot rise to every 3 feet horizontal run, is covered with a special prepared roofing. With this house a shed or shingle span roof could be used to an equal advantage.

The front is of the muslin front type. It consists of four windows, each having for its upper sash a muslin frame 2 feet 1 inch by 1 foot 11 inches which slides up and down, while the lower sash is a six light 8x10 inch glass window. There is approximately 16 square feet of muslin to 336 square feet of floor space or 1

square foot of muslin to every 21 square feet of floor space, and also an equal amount of glass.

The muslin frames are of a convenient size for the control of ventilation, it being possible to open as many as necessary to supply the required fresh air, varying the number with

ing purposes. About one foot beneath the muslin frame is a section of floor, and on the end is a feed box 4 feet by 14 inches, with a 16-inch front and a 2-inch back, which is divided into two parts, for the holding of whole and ground grain. This is a simple convenient house, and has given excellent satisfaction.

Portable nests greatly facilitate cleaning, while darkened nests not only afford a feeling of security on the part of the hen, but also tend to reduce the amount of egg eating.

Provisions should be made for a dust bath in every house, for the problem of dealing with lice is greatly reduced by its presence.

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Social Forms and Entertainments



Points in Etiquette.
I am invited to a reception, from 8:30 to ten o'clock, and after that dancing. I am puzzled as to how I should dress. If gloves are worn, are they removed just before you go in for refreshments? About place cards, are they to help find one's place at the table, and are they taken off or left by the plate when one has finished?—A. L. D.

Any evening dress is suitable for the occasion you mention. Gloves are usually removed when one is seated for refreshments, and put on afterward. Place cards bear the name of the guest who is to occupy the seat, and are to be taken if the guest wishes. They are often hand-painted or otherwise elaborate, and in that case are intended as souvenirs or favors. A plain card with name of guest in ink answers every purpose, and some hostesses have their monogram on plain cards for use as place indicators, writing the name of the guest themselves, sometimes adding the date if it is a very special occasion.

A Four-Year-Old's Birthday.
Will you kindly inform me how I should celebrate my child's fourth anniversary, and what should I have for a lunch or what is best?—A. Constant Reader.

Write notes in the name of your child, inviting the little ones to come to play and bring their mothers upon the day and date and hour designated. Use the party stationery if you can get it. Serve cocoa with whipped cream, or a marshmallow who in case of winter, when it is too cold to have a cake, either sunshine or angel food and ice cream. Peppermint kisses are harmless, or what is known as "kindergarten" candies.

Costume for Matron of Honor.
I shall appreciate your telling me a few things about a wedding. It is to be a simple home wedding at eight o'clock in the evening, and the bride is to marry in a traveling suit. What should the matron of honor wear? Does she have to wear a traveling suit, too? If not, would a white liberty satin do?—E. P.

The matron of honor would certainly outshine the bride if she wore a white satin gown. A white serge or broadcloth would be better, or a pretty light gray or tan reception dress.

The Proper Thing to Do.
Have received invitations to a tea, a musical and reception, each on a visiting card. I wish to accept. How shall I answer in each case? Do I make calls afterward, and how soon?—A. B. C. D.

Use note paper or correspondence cards and accept or regret, as is your intention. Use the third person in replying, but do not use your visiting card. It is not good form. Make a call within the month.

A Bride-to-Be's Queries.
Is it proper for the bride to come to the wedding breakfast or only to pass after the ceremony in her bridal dress? Or should she leave the guests and change for her traveling dress first? Should announcements be engraved?—Minnie.

A bride partakes of breakfast or refreshments served after the ceremony in all the glory of her bridal robe. When she appears in her traveling dress it is to leave the house immediately. Announcements cards should be engraved.

Baskets for Basket Social.
Will you kindly suggest some way to make a basket for a basket social? I would like to have something new and different. And also, will you please tell me some colors that would be nice?—Auntie.

You can buy all kinds of dainty baskets very cheaply. Those of Japanese manufacture made of wicker are lovely. They may also be made of woven paper braided tightly and sewed into shape. Any colors are pretty. Choose what suits you best.

From a Boy.
Do you see any harm in two boys kissing when they meet and then going with each other? Do you think a boy should pay "party calls" when he must work each day?—A Boy.

I think it is strictly up to the boys. They wish to kiss, let them. There is nothing wrong in it, and I think the most beautiful sight I ever saw was two boys kissing. I ever saw a boy who was only a son always embraced his father. Seems to me if a boy accepts hospitality, that he could not time on Sunday afternoon or evening to pay a party call.

MADAME MERRI.

Tam O'Shanter.
The velvet Tam O'Shanter is very hard to get popular, but it really is a very few people that do not think it has much of a future. There is a certain juvenility about it, that takes on its style and makes it loom suitably for a girl with her hair down.

Inexpensive Necklaces.
Some of the prettiest necklaces of no expensive sort are of cream, white or rose beads with rhinestone caps. Necklaces of amber are also immensely smart.

Leather Sash Girdles.
There are sash girdles made of black patent leather with oval buckles at each end, through which are run strips of black satin with fringe ends.

MASSAGE BY SLAPS

New Treatment to Correct a Loose, Flabby Skin.

French Beauty Specialists Introduced This Innovation, and It Has Been Eagerly Taken Up in This Country.

By MME. ARMAND.

If your skin is loose and flabby and you hesitate to massage it for fear of pushing or dragging it—which, by the way, is very harmful, especially when lines are apparent—then try the new treatment of slapping the flesh.

French beauty specialists believe in slapping and kneading the flesh rather than in massage, and judging from the patronage they receive, it is a real success. Of course, the slapping is a sort of massage, but as it is applied with the flat of the hand, there is no pushing, pulling or dragging of the skin, which is likely to occur with ordinary massage if it is not careful and skilled in the work.

In taking one of these treatments not long ago I was told that the skin and flesh responded more quickly to this kind of work and that almost any part of the body could be fitted out in much less time than with the ordinary massage.

It certainly makes the blood which is dormant and sluggish come to life. The regular slap sends it tingling through the veins until it seems that the whole skin is aglow with fresh, warm blood. In the Turkish baths part of the treatment consists of slapping and kneading the entire body, and that is why one feels so good thereafter, because every bit of blood possible to reach has been set in motion.

How to Slap Your Own Face.
First cleanse the face thoroughly. Then warm the skin either by holding hot cloths upon it or by steaming it. Next pat in some of your favorite cream or skin food. Allow all that will absorb and then with the flat of the hand slap firmly, yet severely, at the corners of the eyes and temples. The work of slapping is done best by alternating with the hands, using one and then the other. Next slap the cheeks from the sides of the nose. Work out over the jawbone and on to the neck. If what is known as the character lines, those which run from the nostril to the corners of the mouth, are deep, then push the tongue beneath the line and slap well. When working about the eyes do so very gently. Use only the cushion of the second finger tip. Remember always that the eyes are sensitive, to any hard or vigorous application, so one must be careful to do no harm to them. The forehead may be slapped vigorously with the palms, and two fingers will suffice to slap the nose on each side.

Double Chin Needs Slapping.
To remove the superfluous fat and double chin, slap it vigorously. Lift up the head and with the back of the hands, alternately, slap upward, occasionally pressing the flesh toward the chin, never down toward the throat.

When the face, neck and chin have been sufficiently slapped they should be gently and smartly not patted. Then, after a few moments rest the hands should be doubled up into fists, and the flesh softly kneaded all over, and slapping the skin loose and bumpy. It should be poked up between the thumb and second finger and gently rolled back and forth. When finished the face can be cleansed of dust and foreign particles just as it is with ordinary massage.

Another Method of Using Cream.
It is very difficult to make some skins absorb oils and creams and no matter how hard one may try by steaming the skin and other warming methods to open the pores, the cream still remains on the surface. If your skin is of this texture, then, after the washing and warming, rub a little of the cream on the tips of your fingers or the palms of the hands, and while you are slapping the skin this will work into it. A good many women prefer to be massaged in the same way, and do not care to have the cream rubbed on the face first. It certainly has the advantage over the old method of applying the cream, as it is more dainty and does not grease up the whole face or skin at once. You can also tell just how much cream the skin will absorb. If you take very little at first, and it works in, the hands become dry and then you may take up a little more and in this manner you can tell that the cream is sinking into the skin.

Colored Caps.
A rather dainty departure has been made in the matter of boudoir caps. Aside from the finest Irish linen and lace of the same manufacture, colored ribbons are now being run through the lace openings at the bottom of the cap, and in some cases caps of gayly colored linen, with white lace, are being shown. This is strikingly new because of the fact that white has always been the predominating color for a morning cap. In the colored caps Irish linen is not being used. These caps may last, but it is unlikely as mild as discriminating and may refuse to depart from the elegant white linen cap.

Silk Blouses.
Many of the new blouses are made of silk and have linen collars and cuffs. A pretty blouse is made of simple tulle, with a sailor collar and undercollar of dainty hand-embroidered linen, which may be removed and laundered.

Leather Sash Girdles.
There are sash girdles made of black patent leather with oval buckles at each end, through which are run strips of black satin with fringe ends.

The CIVIL WAR FIFTY YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

December 16, 1862.

The Army of the Potomac, which, since the battle of Fredericksburg, had been lying between the Confederate entrenchments on the hill and the Rappahannock river in its rear, was withdrawn during the night to the north side of the river, General Burnside at last realizing the hopelessness of endeavoring again to carry the Confederate line, and the danger of remaining where he was. A repulse of another attack, or an attack from the enemy, would have been fatal to the army.

A detachment of Union troops, while on a reconnaissance, entered the village of Wardensville and captured the entire Confederate mail, consisting of several hundred letters and newspapers, from the postmaster.

Major-General Banks issued a proclamation assuming command of the Department of the Gulf.

A large body of Confederate troops, encamped in the vicinity of New Haven, Ky., were surprised and captured by the First Kentucky Union Cavalry.

General Foster's Union column invading North Carolina was brought to a stand at the Neuse by the Confederates under General Evans. The Confederate artillery made good practice during the day.

December 17, 1862.
Four hundred and sixty Union soldiers, taken prisoners at Fredericksburg, reached Richmond, Va.

Baton Rouge, La., was occupied by a portion of General Banks's Union command.

Major-General Grant, commanding the Department of the Tennessee, issued an order from his headquarters at Oxford, Miss., expelling every Jew within his department within twenty-four hours from the issuance of the order.

General Foster's expeditionary force in North Carolina came to a stop at Goldsboro, N. C., in front of the Confederate force of General Evans. He succeeded in destroying the Goldsboro bridge, but was compelled to retire, after two hours' fighting.

December 18, 1862.
The Confederate cavalry leader Forrest entered and occupied Lexington, Ky., with a large force of Union troops, under Col. R. G. Ingersoll, of the Eleventh Illinois cavalry, resisted for three hours, but was finally driven off, leaving prisoners and two pieces of artillery.

The town of Commerce, Miss., was burned by a Union expedition consisting of the gunboat Juliet and transport City, with a detachment of the Eleventh and Forty-seventh Indiana.

On the previous day the steamer Mill Boy, lying in the river in front of the town, had been fired into by a casual band of Confederate cavalry. When the Mill Boy reported the incident at Helena, Ark., the expedition was sent to destroy the town in punishment for the thing that had been done by the passing troops. Not satisfied with that vengeance, the Union troops proceeded to destroy the plantations for a distance of five miles about the town.

December 19, 1862.
Colonel Dickey, in command of a detachment of Union cavalry, returned to the Union lines at Oxford, Miss., from a raid on the railroads, in which his force marched two hundred miles in six days, destroyed forty miles of the Mobile and Ohio, captured one hundred and fifty prisoners, a large amount of stores and escaped from a Confederate force outnumbering them ten to one.

Twelve wagons of a train of twenty-six that had been captured by a detachment of General Stuart's Confederate cavalry the day before at Occoquan, Va., were recovered by a squadron of Union cavalry after a hard fight. The remaining fourteen wagons were destroyed by the Confederates during the fight.

Rev. Dr. McPherson, of St. Louis, Mo., was ordered by the president to leave the state within ten days for "encouraging the rebellion and sustaining disloyalty in the church."

A general dissolution of President Lincoln's cabinet was announced.

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December 20, 1862.
Holly Springs, Miss., was entered and captured by the Confederate cavalry under General Forrest. An immense amount of public and private property was carried off or destroyed. The garrison surrendered after a very short resistance.

In a skirmish between Union troops and Confederate irregulars near Hallsboro, Va., the irregulars retired after doing much mischief. Three of their number were captured.

General Forrest entered Trenton and Humboldt, Tenn., with his force of Confederate cavalry. They burned the depots and all the government stores they could not carry.

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The home of the Gift buyer. Beautiful and useful articles within the reach in price of everybody. Never before have we shown such an array of beautiful things for Christmas. Gifts. Old Santa Claus has provided with a lavish hand. Father, mother, sister, brother, uncles, aunts and cousins and best friends—all have been provided for in our superb Christmas stock. Goods are on display, so don't delay, but come in and make your selections.

Cut Glass Sugar and Creamers Vases Bon-Bon Dishes Bowls Nappies Pitchers Celery Dishes Pepper and Salts Shaving Goods Gillette's Safety Razors Auto Strip Razors Geni Safety Razors Razor Straps Lather Brushes and Complete Shaving Sets	Smokers Articles Pipes from a good one for 25-cents up to a handsome meerschaum for \$25.00 Cigars, the finest assortment in the city. Some fine X-Mas boxes Tobaccos of all kinds Complete Smoking Sets Humidors, cigar and cigarette cases, match boxes, cigar clippers ash trays, pipe racks We know what men like and are ready to advise you, especially lady purchasers. Toilet Goods Manicure Sets Military Sets Toilet Sets in	Ebony, Ivory, Silver and Rosewood Hand Glasses Ladies' Work Baskets Scissors and Shears Carving Sets Thermos and Jamus Bottles Traveling Cases Perfumes and Toilet Waters Stationery, finest line in the city Calendars Leather Pocket Books and Hand Bags Playing Cards in plain or leather cases Game Sets Poker Chips Dice, Dominoes, etc. Books of Rules, etc.	Christmas Candies . . . In Fancy Boxes and packages, also in bulk. Ice Cream . . Sodas and Sundaes, ORDER ICE CREAM for your X-Mas Dinner
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 HIGHEST GRADE OF WINES TO HELP DIGEST YOUR DINNER.

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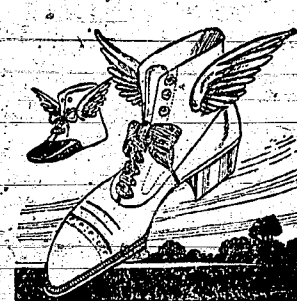
For the Holidays

Groceries



Good things for the table is one thing you never get tired of, and we always have the best.

Shoes



That fly straight to the mark in the way of style, comfort and meaning qualities; that's the kind we pride ourselves in handling exclusively

Fruit



We have all kinds of Fruit and Green stuff in season

Evening Shoes



If you want a man to stay at home evenings try to make him comfortable with a pair of Easy Slippers

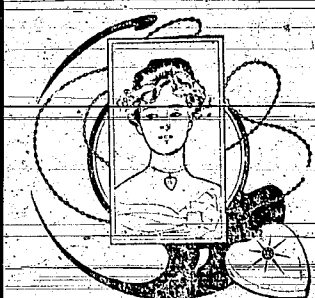
Gloves



Gloves, Hosiery, Neckwear and Handkerchiefs always make good X-Mas presents

What we mention here is only a few items of what we have. Come and look over stock, and you can surely find some useful article for X-Mas gifts. Our prices are right, quality considered.

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doesn't come by chance design. grouping, finish, all play their parts.
 Locket, Bracelets, Chains

of charming design are the result of art and skill in fashioning. All of these meet and blend in unison in our handsome Jewelry Display. For the correct thing see us. All goods warranted.



The Question of Selection

we leave to your own good taste, but the quoting of liberal prices for goods of high quality is OUR part, and you will find that we perform this end of a sale to your entire satisfaction.

Watches and Chains
 bracelets, earrings, pins, lockets, La Vallieres, sterling silver toilet articles and novelties, plated and solid table ware, and clocks.



In the Foreground

is where we seek to be. No wall flowers or dark alley objects for us. In the foreground, and foremost in estimation of best judges is FINEST STOCK OF JEWELRY IN TOWN now to be seen here. Don't take our word but come and see.

Critical judges as well as experts all advise to buy of us. Do it.

WHEN IN DOUBT MAKE IT JEWELRY

"JEWELRY, THE GIFT OF GIFTS"

We are right in the thick of it, so have little time to write ads. You people are busy, too, picking and choosing and have no time to read.

But keep remembering how Jewelry fits in with the season.

When in doubt make it Jewelry, is a good rule to go by.

Another good rule is to give only that Jewelry which is known to be of the highest possible quality.

To be sure of this: COME HERE.

Take all the time you wish to look—then buy only when you are convinced that what we show you represents the most advanced of thought in designing and construction—and the biggest possible value for your money. WHICH IT CERTAINLY DOES.

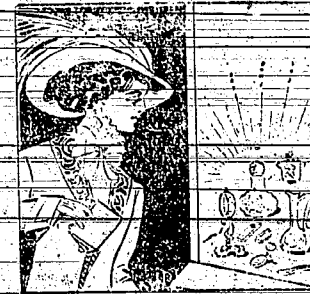
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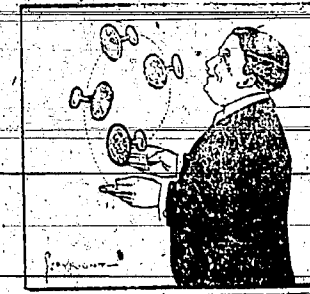
can compare in attractiveness with the one wearing a necklace, a locket and charm, a watch, a brooch or other article of Jewelry bought at this store. The good taste of our jewelry is undeniable. Its quality we guarantee. Its price we leave to your own good judgment to say if it be not reasonable.



Great Fascination

clings to the jeweler's window. All the fair sex stop to see the exhibit, and many of the masculine element who have time. It is agreed by all.

That This Jewelry Store gets the prize for the finest stock of handsome ornaments and sterling silver novelties. Our watches are celebrated as good time pieces and our tableware is warranted not to tarnish. Inspection of all lines cordially invited.



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Which only means a waste of money. Come to our store and let us show you the splendid values we have in the real thing, and you will find many BARGAINS in gold, silver and precious stones. The clocks, watches, rings, pins, chains, bracelets, cuff links, toilet articles and sterling silver novelties, solid and plated tableware, etc., are ALL bargains.

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, DEC. 10

Additional Local News

House for rent—Inquire of Mrs. Celia Granger, Dec 5 if adv.

Dishes for Xmas presents at Brunner's Cash store.

Come and see the Xmas display at Holiday's Bazaar. Dec 12-2w.

John Melvers, of Detroit, was in town on business Monday.

Before you sell your raw furs bring them to the Holiday Bazaar.

O. Palmer made a business trip to West Branch and Roscommon Saturday.

Leave orders for cream for Xmas, not later than Saturday, December 21, at Brink's grocery. 12-12-2w

Edward Strell has arrived from Mancelona and is going to take a position in Colleen's restaurant.

There will be a meeting of Postage Lodge, K. of P. tonight. There will be initiatory work followed with a banquet.

Grayling Citizens' band will give their annual band concert at the opera house January 15th. This will be followed by a dancing party.

George Olson left Saturday for Denver, Colorado, where he will join his sister, Miss Anna Olson and they both will go to Los Angeles, California.

Mrs. Wm. Herrick, and baby, of Fenton, arrived last week to visit friends and look after some business matters. She will be better remembered here as Miss Gladys Hadley, who taught music for many years.

Santa Claus will be here from the North Pole, Saturday, Dec. 21st, at 11 o'clock. Everybody meet him at the train and bring the children. From there he will go to his headquarters, where he will give every child a bag of candy.

Red Cross Christmas seals for sale by Boy Scouts.

Get your Christmas holly at Olaf Sorenson & Sons.

Read the City Bakery's Free Vacuum cleaner at this week.

Gentlemen's house slippers at great bargains at Brunner's Cash store.

The Methodist preacher and the Boy Scouts offer their assistance for the benefit of the afflicted.

Have an Ideal Warm Air furnace installed by F. R. Deckrow and Son. They are perfect. Oct 3-1f

Visit our store. Everybody invited to visit our store and examine the liberal display of Xmas goods.

Little Lawrence Redmond, of Cheboygan, who was operated upon for appendicitis several days ago, is improving.

Carl Sorenson is home from Detroit where he has been ill for some time. He will remain here until after the holidays.

Two beds, complete; oil stove, dining room table and couch will be sold cheap, if taken at once. Mrs. George Langevin. Phone 1162.

Children, if you want 5 and 10-cent goods for presents in school come and see us and we can save your money. BRUNNER'S CASH STORE.

Second Hand Furniture. We have opened a second hand furniture business and will buy and sell second hand furniture. Let us know what you have to sell and look over our bargains when you want to buy. Store on South Side. Phone 62. P. E. JOHNSON. Oct 31 f

About forty people, relatives and friends of Mr. Louis Lamonte, surprised him at his home, last Saturday evening, it being his sixty-first birthday. Cards were played and other games, and stories told until a late hour, when lunch was served, after which all left for their homes, wishing Mr. Lamonte many more happy birthdays.

The subject of New Year's resolution is looked upon by most of us as a joke. To see one's worldly goods go up in smoke is not very funny. Make this one resolution then, this year. Insure yourself from the horrors of fire, which is apt to come anytime. We shall be glad to tell you how easy this resolution is kept.

GEO. L. ALEXANDER & SON, Grayling's oldest and largest insurance agency. 12-5 w4

Daniel McNeil entered Mercy hospital this week.

Mrs. Nellie Cornerford, of Detroit, Dept. Pres. of the Ladies of G. A. R. was guest of Garfield Circle No. 16 at their meeting last Friday. This was annual inspection of the Circle, and two ladies were initiated.

Companion Court Grayling No. 652 elected the following officers Wednesday evening, December 11, for the ensuing year:

Court Deputy—Ruby DeMore.
 Chief Ranger—Martha Hammond.
 Past Chief Ranger—Johanna Crowley.

Vice Chief Ranger—Fern Smith.
 Orator—Jennie Anderson.
 Finance Sec.—Minnie Nelson.
 Recording Sec.—Martha Joseph.
 Treasurer—Laura Schroeder.

St. Woodward—Hattie Collins.
 Jr. Woodward—Alma Games.
 Sr. Beadle—Eva Benedict.
 Jr. Beadle—Cora McMahon.

South Side.
 Mr. C. Penn has moved in the house he just built.

Mrs. O. Dairy has recovered from a severe illness.

John Dixon is confined at home with illness.

Mr. Guy Decett is visiting his parents at this place.

Mrs. Peter Jensen, Sr., is at Mercy hospital, undergoing an operation.

Mrs. Bert Chapel is at West Branch helping to take care of her brother.

Wm. Sleeman was here shaking hands with friends the forepart of the week.

There will be a Christmas tree at the M. P. Church. All are cordially invited.

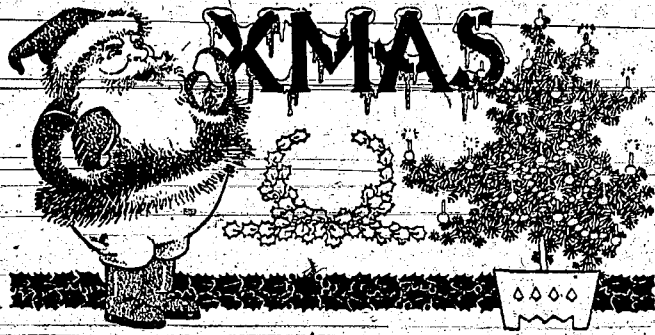
E. R. Clark is out again, after being confined to his home for ten days with pleurisy and lumbago.

Mrs. John Harris is here, helping to take care of her father, Samuel Branch, who is seriously ill.

Mrs. Samuel Beecraft and Mrs. Leffig Madison, of Bay City, spent a few days with friends in Grayling.

MRNO.
 You will find that druggists everywhere speak well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. They speak from long experience in the sale of it that in cases of coughs and colds it can be depended upon, and that it is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

FOR YOUR XMAS DINNER



Soups

Campbells Tomato Clam Chowder Vegetable Mock Turtle Ox-Tail
Armour's Bullion Cubes
Saratoga Flakes Sunshine Krispy Crackers Uneeda Biscuits Tahoma Biscuits

Meats

Cranberry Sauce Jelly Potatoes—Sweet Irish Potato Chips

Vegetables

Fresh Cabbage Parsnips Beggars Carrots Celery
Green Onions Lettuce Cucumbers Cheboygan Peas
California Asparagus Pioneer Wax Beans
Corn Beets Refugee Beans Tomatoes Succotash
Olives, plain or stuffed Heinz Pickles—Sweet Sour Dill
Cassidy's Model Bread—Wheat Rye

Pie

Apple Cherry—White or Red Peach Mince Meat Pie Apples

Beverages

Arabian Banquet Coffee Brink's Reception Tea Salada Tea—Black or Green
Royal Garden Tea Teller's Koran Coffee Lipton's English Breakfast Tea
Lowmeyer's Cocoa Runkel's Cocoa Instant Postum
Nabisco Cameo Biscuits Sweet Cream
Veronique Clover Blossoms Froil Froil Hydrox
Philopous

Fruit

Fresh Pineapples Grape Fruit Tangerines Grapes—Malaga and Catawba
Bananas Oranges Apples

Nuts

Walnuts—Black and English Filbert Brazil Almonds Hickory Nuts
Pell Nuts Chestnuts

Give us your order

BRINK'S GROCERY

Where Quality, Weight and Measure are Guaranteed.

Correspondence

Frederic Items.

Winter parties are in style now. Harry Horton was reported worse Tuesday morning.
Deputy Sheriff Haines made a trip to Pelston Tuesday.
Material is on the ground to build our new temporary jail.
Our band is improving fine under the direction of Wm. Cody.
Ezra Haines and T. Meddick made a business trip to Boyne City Thursday.
Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Callahan are the possessors of a new piano making an exchange.
George Horton took three bad men to Grayling Monday, to board with Sheriff Benedict.
The Misses Meert and Irene Patterson returned home from Detroit and Bay City Friday.
Mrs. G. A. Wilder, of Grayling, was a caller on Mrs. C. S. Barber and Grandma King last Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. James Cameron entertained a number of friends Saturday evening; all report a good time.
Our big track of hardwood timber northwest of this village will soon be a thing of the past, same as our lofty pines have been. F. B. Ward has a camp located about 2 1/2 miles from town. Sandy Harvey, as Foreman, with his crew of 80 men make it lay lower every day. We are told that six years at this rate and it will all be gone. If this land should be put on the market it would certainly sell at a good price for this is certainly as good land as there is in our state in this tract. The writer hopes it may

only be a few years until we see it dotted with beautiful homes. But we are sorry to see the beautiful timber go.
Sheriff Benedict was in town Monday.
Mrs. Meddick is expected home this week.
Mrs. Ezra Haines returned from Detroit Thursday.
Fine Xmas displays in our store windows. AUSALE.
The heading mill is running steady now as there are plenty of logs.
Orlando Milnes was in our village Saturday evening; jolly as ever.
The boys and girls are certainly enjoying sleighing on Bachelor hill.
Mrs. McCalpin went to Bay City Friday returning Monday a. m.
Well I guess some hustling. The new jail is ready for you! Who?
Mrs. R. King left Monday for an extended visit in Haron county, Akron will be her first stop.
Mrs. McCoy, who has been visiting in Bay City the past three weeks arrived home Wednesday.
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Karnes were entertained Saturday evening. About twenty-five were present.
J. C. Karnes is cutting and hauling the balance of the timber on the Geo. Colten place. Albert Lewis has the job and the Walsh Manufacturing Co. gets the logs.
Miss Brazel, of Cheboygan, who has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. L. A. Gardner for the past three weeks returned home. Mrs. Gardner accompanied her home.
When you have a bilious attack give Chamberlain's Tablets a trial. They are excellent. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

Beaver Creek Breezes.

Carl Christensen has gone to Flint.
Mrs. John Failing is visiting in Detroit.
Fred Packer is seriously ill at his home.
Richard Beebe is back on Forest View farm.
The pupils of our school under the direction of their teachers Miss J. J. Cox are rehearsing a drama to be produced Christmas eve.
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hanna and Miss Pearl Hanna were guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. Nielson at Forest View farm Sunday. Mr. Hanna has leased the farm for another year and will continue to act as postmaster.
Mr. and Mrs. Jens Hanson arrived Monday to take possession of their new home. Mr. Hanson is well known and liked in this vicinity and we are glad to welcome both him and his wife to Wellington.
Mr. and Mrs. Theo O'Dell, Mr. and Mrs. Mortenson and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. N. Nielson and Miss Claire Parker spent last evening with Mr. and Mrs. Fulk who leave this week for Mineral Wells, Texas.
Mr. and Mrs. B. Fulk with their sons Earl and Lester will leave next week for the south. Mr. Fulk's physician told him that it was not advisable for him to spend the winter in the north and he was fortunate enough to secure a cash customer for his farm which he purchased last spring of Will Raymond. We regret their departure as they have made many friends during their short stay here. We are informed that Jens Hanson will be the new proprietor of the farm.
A Des Moines man had an attack of muscular rheumatism in his right shoulder. A friend advised him to go to Hot Springs. That meant an expense of \$150 or more. He sought for a quicker and cheaper way to cure it and found it in Chamberlain's Liniment. Three days after the first application he was well. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

River Ripples Ray.

A bunch of ninorodes of the burg bagged 35 rabbits in one day recently.
The Folschauer boys are setting up their saw mill east of their father's farm.
H. Schrieber and Rufus Edmond each bagged a fine buck at the close of hunting season.
Mrs. John Stephan and daughter Helen just returned from a visit with grandma Russell at Alger.
Some of the farmers failed to at-

tend the Farmer's Institute as they were too busy rushing the Christmas trees.

Their will be an entertainment at the close of the school at the Appenzell school house on the 20th of this month.
The Bommarita Bros. of Saginaw brought a car load of 1400 Christmas trees from Riverside farm. They were assisted in cutting and hauling them by our townsman Messrs. Becraft and Henry Stephan.

Additional Local News

Read Hathaway's ad on first page.
Christmas Holly at Brink's grocery.
Lots of 5 and 10-cent toys at Holiday's Bazaar. 12-12-20
A nice Xmas present would be a W. W. Ring from Hathaway's.
The glassware for sale at Brenner's Cash store.
Wanted—A boy to act as mascot for the band. Apply to F. G. Walton, bandmaster.
K. W. Brink went to Bay City Tuesday to purchase his supply of Xmas vegetables.
This is the season of the year when everyone is looking for something new—in stockings.
The Grayling Social club will give a dancing party at their club rooms on New Year eve.
The town was partially dark a couple of nights last week on account of one of the electric transformers being out of order.
Miss Elizabeth Salling arrived from Detroit last Friday, where she has been visiting her sister Marion for the past two weeks.
Just because your wife tells you to buy her some thing useful, don't think she will be satisfied if you send her home a barrel of flour.
The members of the Married Peoples Card club were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pond Tuesday evening. Favors were won by Mrs. Scott Loader and H. C. Schmidt, seconds by Mrs. C. Game and S. Phelps Jr. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.
Mrs. Henry Bauman and Mrs. Victor Salling went to Detroit Tuesday to spend a few days; also to meet Miss Margrthe Bauman who is on her way home from Lasell Seminary, Auburn, Mass., to spend her holiday vacation. Miss Marion Salling, who is teaching in the Detroit Conservatory of Music is expected to return to Grayling with the others.

Mrs. W. W. Wescott and children, Hanson and Helen arrived Friday and are the guests of Mrs. Wescott's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hanson. Dr. Wescott came Monday night. They all returned to their home in Eben yesterday.

O. F. Barnes, secretary of the Crawford County Commercial association has been having his hands pretty full of late. Besides making out the roll for South branch township he has been giving some of his personal assistance to Governor-Elect Ferris and numerous other things. He also has been keeping in close touch with the progress toward locating the National Guard Military camp here, and doing many other good things in the interest of the association. He says he will accept no salary for his services as association secretary until they get into permanent quarters. They expect to occupy the office now used by the Kerry & Hanson Flooring company just as soon as they vacate, when will be soon as the latter firm is building an office at their factory building. Mr. Barnes has a splendid campaign laid out for practical work for the association and is anxious to get to business. The association has nearly 200 members and nearly every member is ready to assist in any work that may come to him in the interest of Crawford county. We have a lot of boosters and all that is necessary is for us to pull together and work with the object of progress, and success is assured.

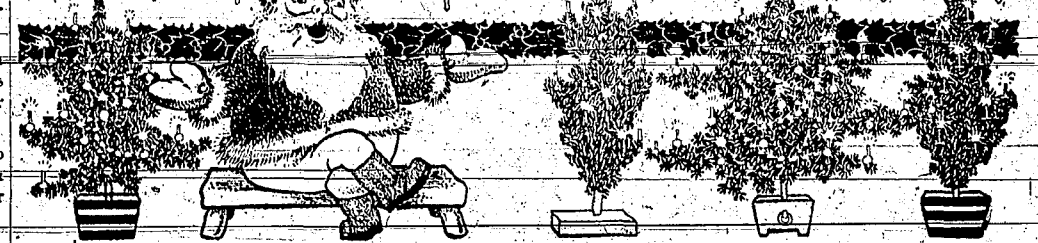
ROYAL BAKING POWDER

Adds Healthful Qualities to the Food

Prof. Prescott, of the University of Michigan, testified before the Pure Food Committee of Congress, that the acid of grapes held highest rank as an article of food and he regarded the results from baking with cream of tartar baking powder as favorable to health.

Royal is the only Baking Powder made from Royal Grape Cream of Tartar.

TREES AND DECORATIONS



Christmas Price List

In Effect from Dec. 20 to Jan. 1st

Carnations, per dozen, \$1.00 Poinsettias, each, \$1.00 to 2.00
Primroses, each, 35 cents Few Boston Ferns \$1.00 to 3.00
Red and White Cabbage in Abundance
Roses, Violets, Chrysanthemums, and other kinds of cut flowers, can be had, if I get your order not later than Sunday, the 22d

Greenhouse

Are You Going to Paint?

The best in the world is PITKIN'S PREMIUM HOUSE PAINT, manufactured and guaranteed by The Peters Pitkin Company, Benton Harbor, Mich. Sold by

Salling, Hanson Co.

Ask them for "40 years endorsement booklet" and color card

Slade's Meat Market

Stop, Look and Listen!

10 pounds or over front quarter beef, 10c.
This is to be spot cash. You are not buying Farmer Dressed Beef, (which may be healthy and may be not) but government inspected is something that is right.

Hogs, whole, 11 cents
Hogs, half, 11-1-2 cents
Hinds of Beef, 10 to 11 cents
Fronts of Beef, 8 to 9 cents
Plates of Beef, 9c for 10 pounds or more.

Now is the time to order your Turkeys, Ducks, Geese and Chickens, as I have some of the finest that can be had.

All poultry is cleaned all the way through before delivering.

Give me a call, inspect the shop, see if it is sanitary. Then buy something, and see if it is right.

Yours very truly

Guy W. Slade.

Crawford Avalanche.

O. P. Schumann, Editor & Proprietor.

RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION:
One Year \$1.50
Six Months75
Three Months40

Entered as second-class matter in the Postoffice at Grayling, Mich., under the Act of Congress of March 3, 1879.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, DEC. 19

Additional Local News

Christmas Holly at Blinn's grocery.
Ladies' warm slipper's, all colors, at Brenner's Cash store.

It is more blessed to give than to receive. It is likewise more expensive.

Spences Mitchell spent last week in Bay City visiting with relatives and friends.

There will be a dancing party at the opera house in Frederic on New Year's eve.

Paul Ford arrived home from Detroit Tuesday morning and expects to remain until after the holidays.

Lost: A black and tan hound about 25 inches high. White stripes in breast. Goes by the name of Black.

CHAS. WHITE,
Dec. 19 w3 Blue Lake, Mich.

The religious play "From the Manger to the Cross" which is stirring all of Europe, will be read and illustrated with pictures and songs by children in the Methodist Episcopal church during Christmas tide.

Holiday announcement to buyers of Christmas gifts. Our special efforts this season in the direction of original novelties and new features have met with the most gratifying success. We shall deem it a privilege to show you a very extensive assortment of holiday goods that are as new as they are pleasing and appropriate. Look through our beautiful stock. It will be a pleasure. ANDREW PETERSON, Jeweler.

We cordially invite every family in this county to become a subscriber to this paper. You need it if you care to keep in touch with home affairs. The price is \$1.50 a year. In return we will give you 52 copies of good clean reading—full of news that you can't find in daily papers, and clean enough for any member of the family to read. We'll do our best to please you during the coming year. Start right for 1913.

The following item was accidentally left out of last week's paper:
A message was received here Tuesday morning from Detroit announcing the death of little Edward E. Hartwick Jr. at 5:30 a. m. that day. He was eighteen months old and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hartwick, of Detroit, and the grandson of N. Michelson of this city. The latter together with Mrs. Olaf Michelson and Miss Mary Jorgenson left that night for Detroit to be present at the funeral and share with the grieving parents their sorrow in the loss of their baby boy. This sad news brings sorrow to large circle of friends in this city.

Grab This—The S½ of the N. E.¼ of section 24-T-26, N. of R. 4, West for two hundred and twenty-five dollars. Address: C. R. GRAYSON, 497 Beaubien St. Detroit, Mich.
Nov. 28 4w

Big Sale on men's suits and overcoats, women's and children's coats, shoes, dry goods and groceries at Max Kling's big department store at Frederic. Sale begins December 21st. 1w

A suitable reward will be given for information leading to the arrest of the person or persons who maliciously destroy the town property known as the pest house, by tearing off shutters and breaking windows, also carrying away movable property.

J. S. HARRINGTON,
Health Officer.

The Hek-kat-Dek-a club met at the home of Miss Johanna Henriksen Monday evening. Everyone pronounced it the best evening they ever had. The fore part of the evening was spent in sewing, later Miss Johanna surprised the girls by presenting her Chinese friend, who assisted her in entertaining the girls. After a dainty luncheon was served, a musical program was given in which each member took part. At 10:30 o'clock the club adjourned to meet the first Monday in Jan. with Miss Joseph.

The workmen at the mill, in their kindly manner, remembered their old fellow employee, Hans Anderson with a nice cash contribution last Saturday night. Mr. Anderson has been employed in the band mill where he was injured last July. Since that time he has been confined at his home and the boys thought that they could make him happy by a little friendly financial assistance. It has been requested by Mr. Anderson that he publicly extend his sincere thanks and appreciation. No doubt this has given the mill men as much pleasure as it has Mr. Anderson.

Notice of Sale.

The Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, in Chancery.

Jacob Katz, Trustee.

Complainant,

vs.

E. J. Saltzman.

Defendant.

In pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford in Chancery, made and entered on the 13th day of May, A. D. 1912, in the above entitled cause, I, the subscriber a circuit commissioner of the county of Crawford, shall sell at public auction or vendue, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the court house in the village of Grayling, in said county of Crawford, on the 20th day of January, A. D. 1913, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, all those certain lands situate and described as the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of section twelve (12), township twenty-six north, of range four West, containing forty acres, more or less.

ANTHONY MARSHALL,
Circuit Court Commissioner.
Dec 12-6t

CHRISTMAS IN COLONIAL DAYS

Interesting Account of an Old-Time Celebration.

Men Wore Their Hair in Curls and Such Games as "Green Grow the Rushes, O," Furnished Amusement.



republic the journey from New York by sleigh took ten days.

In preparation for the coming festivities, the diarist notes that the keeping room (as the main room was then called), which today would be called the parlor, or drawing room, was trimmed elaborately with spruce and cedar branches, there being no holly growing in that region. Roses made of tissue paper, in red, pink and white, were plentifully distributed through the evergreen decorations.

The roses were made by two young women guests, Miss Catherine Floyd and Miss Mary Floyd, who were engaged to be married to James Madison and Thomas Jefferson, afterwards presidents of the United States. They were assisted in entertaining guests during the day by the Misses Wiggins, neighbors of the general. Among other guests, Bishop Whipple and a fellow clergyman were present, as well as the fiancé of the diarist.

The festivities began Christmas Eve, and all the family hung up their stockings in front of the huge kitchen fireplace. The illumination was that of tallow candles in silver and brass candlesticks. Miss Catherine Floyd had expected her fiancé, James Madison (as was called down in the diary), and was greatly disappointed at his not coming. He sent, by way of a Christmas gift, a full-length likeness of Gen. George Washington, framed, which was brought by a neighbor returning home from New York.

The merrymaking was at its height Christmas Eve, all sorts of then fashionable and popular games, such as "Hunt the Slipper," "Pin the Tail on the Donkey," and "Green Grow the Rushes, O," being indulged in by the young people until 10 o'clock, at which hour sharply General Floyd closed the house.

That in keeping early hours he was not altogether arbitrary appears when we learn that the breakfast Christmas morning was at early candle light. The diary says: "It was so early, and I had to take my curl-papers out, so I am sure my hair will not curl at all."

The gay young people gathered in the immense kitchen after breakfast was served, to examine the stockings that Santa Claus was expected to have left in prosperous condition. Of her gifts the diarist remarks: "Such beautiful gifts I have never received away from my home. Some beautiful mink skins, sufficient to make my winter fur and muff, from dear General Floyd, taken from animals caught in a trap near the milk house, Baxter's 'Saints' Rest,' and a nice volume of Watts' hymns from Mrs. Floyd, a white velvet pincushion, painted with roses and leaves, from Catherine, and a pretty collar of lace footling from Mary. My dearly beloved gave me a ruby ring, the emblem of eternal fidelity and love." The "dearly beloved" became her husband a few months later.

Christmas Day was indeed a joyful one; after we had seen all our gifts, all the young people went to the hill back of the house and coasted for two hours on the hard crust of ice and snow; the distance from the top of the hill to the gulf ravine was nearly a mile.

Different Kind.
Wife (anxiously)—I do wish you were in some other work. I am in constant fear that you will touch a charged wire at the shop. Hub—
"Oh, the charged wire at the shop doesn't bother me; what I have more dread about is the charged account at the store."

Thoroughbred Cockerels for Sale.

Rhode Island Reds, that are red, \$1.50 to \$3.00 each.
Black Minorcas, \$1.50 to \$3.00 each.
White Leghorns, \$1.50 to \$3.00 each.
Eggs for hatching ready by March 15. Phone 1173 or address, JAMES OVERTON, Grayling, Mich.

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M. Simpson
Selling, Hanson Co.

The Right Price of Meat At The Right Market

Porterhouse per pound 12c
Sirloin per pound 12c
Round per pound 12c
Kettle Roasts 10
Plate Beef and other cuts from 6c to 8c by the chunk.

Remember, I quote all cuts of the quarter. All meats wrapped and delivered. Give me a call at the New Market, corner of Ogemaw and Chestnut, opp. school house. Yours truly

I am here to stay.

P. J. MOSHIER



Christmas Cakes

and cakes that make every day seem like Christmas are fresh every day at

Our Bakery

Why don't you try our wholesome bread and delicious pastry as well as our cakes? A trial makes a chance customer a steady patron of our Bakery.

City Bakery

CANDY! CANDY! CANDY!

We are going to be headquarters for X-mas candies again this year, and with each 10c purchase of candy, we will give you a chance on a very useful article.

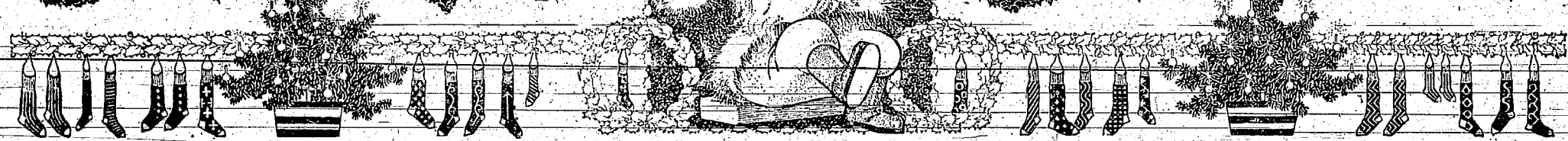
A \$10.00 VACUUM CLEANER

Ask the clerk about it.

City Bakery

Send in Your Subscriptions. \$1.50

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



X-Mas Store House

Great X-Mas stocks crowd the walls of this store—useful reasonable articles, fresh from the leading makers of this country and Europe. Each assortment bears the unmistakable hall-mark of distinctive quality, &c., so desirable when selecting gifts. Save time, trouble and money, by coming direct to this X-Mas Store House for your holiday presents.



Holiday Handkerchiefs

for men, woman and children. There are no disappointments because of duplications if you give handkerchiefs—who ever had too many handkerchiefs? Prices 5c to \$2.00

Men's Neckwear

bought expressly for X-Mas, hence strictly up to date.

The latest for women and children in ruffings, collars, stocks, collar sets, scarfs, jabots, etc.

Hosiery

stylish, serviceable gifts in silk for men and women.

X-Mas Aprons

An attractive specialty with us. Inexpensive but acceptable presents. Maids aprons, tea aprons, fancy bib aprons.

Fancy Linens

Our reputation as the Linen Store adds to the appreciation of your gift if it is bought here. Lunch cloth, lunch sets, table sets, table cloths, napkins, towels and scarfs.

Coats

A limited lot of \$17.50, \$20.00 and \$22.50 coats offered this week for \$15.00. These are most unusual values.

Bags, Suit Cases

What is more practical and suitable for an X-Mas gift than a traveling bag or a suit-case.

Practically everything in traveling luggage will be found here and we pride ourselves that our prices, quality considered, are the lowest in the city.

Gloves

Best domestic and foreign makes for woman and children, for evening, dress, street, automobile, etc.

Infants Wear

The X-Mas Mecca for many mothers. Knit toques, sweaters, leggings, booties, mittens, vests, saques.

Back Combs, Barrettes

Gems from the most artistic makers—The showing includes gold engraved, set with finest quality of imported Rhine stones; also plain side combs and back combs in amber, shell and gray.

Our X-mas Stock

is twice as large as last season, and our heavier buying has made possible still lower prices.

Hand Bags

You will derive a lot of satisfaction in choosing gift hand bags from a stock so vastly variegated as this which we so urgently invite you to inspect. We have bags in regular shopping styles with broken and crush bottom. Best grade of morocco, seal, India goat and finest grade of sheep, ranging in price from 50c to \$5.00.

Stylish Footwear

We will not only sell you shoes—we will fit your feet. See our line of fancy Indian moccasins, for men women and children, with fancy fur trimming.

For more about our superb stock from which to choose your Xmas Gifts we cordially invite you to call and see for yourself. Make this store your headquarters.

A. KRAUS & SON.

Crawford Avalanche.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, DEC. 19

Local and Neighborhood News.

R. Hanson made a business trip to Johannesburg Tuesday.

Dungel Hillard, of Wolverine, is at Mercy hospital, entering the latter part of last week.

James Handley of Harrington, Ohio, is the guest of his uncle J. J. Collins during the holidays.

Spvend Hanson left last week for Detroit, where he has obtained work in an automobile factory.

Geo. Ganev, of Flint, was admitted to Mercy hospital, Monday, with a badly bruised foot.

Joseph Lauke, who was injured at the Stevens Lumber Co., at Walters, was brought to the hospital last week.

Heavy underwear, wool and fleece hose, gloves, and mittens. Lowest prices at Holiday's Bazaar. 12 122w

Lost A cameo pin last evening between C. T. Jerome's and Charles Trouble's. Finder please leave at this office.

Win. Hammond left for Bay City Tuesday afternoon and is going to take the long runs from Bay City to Mackinaw.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lester McPeak, last Saturday, but died soon afterwards. The mother is doing nicely.

The tax roll for the township of Maple Forest is now in my hands and I will be at home at my farm every Monday to receive taxes.

Dec. 12 3w OSCAR E. SCHARRON

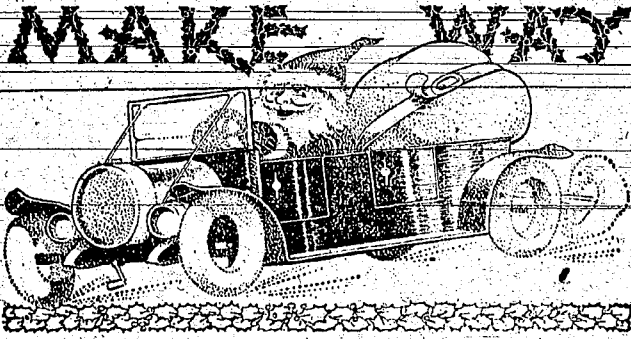
Word has been received here announcing the birth of a baby boy to Mr. and Mrs. A. Engler, of Madison, Wis. on December 14. Mrs. Engler will be remembered here as Margaret Fischer.

A Christmas suggestion. If you are looking for ideas and suggestions to help you to decide what to give to either man, woman or a cute little baby why not go the Xmas store, a store in which every item is suitable for a Christmas present that will be appreciated. ANDREW PETERSON, Jeweler.

The S. G. C. were entertained at the home of Miss Frida Olson in honor of her 22 birthday last evening. The fore part of the evening was spent in sewing. Music was also one of the delightful features. Miss Frida served a very delicious lunch after which all departed for their homes having spent a very pleasant evening.

Nearly all of our merchants have quite outdoor previous occasions with their holiday windows and store trimmings. We have prepared a description of each and every display, but we find it impossible to use it on account of lack of space. This is very much regretted by us as we spent considerable time upon this write-up. Other important items also have had to be omitted.

Geo. McCullough has been telling his friends for several days past that he was expecting a fine thoroughbred English bull pup. It arrived Sunday and is one of the most savage looking brutes that ever came to Grayling. It is about ten inches high. Some of the features of the dog are its strong wide haunches, short stubby legs, broad lower jaw, turned up nose and vicious, sneering looking face. Yet this dog is said to be perfectly harmless. George has placed it upon a shelf in his barber shop where it is attracting considerable attention. Wolf!



5 More Shopping Days 5 Before Christmas

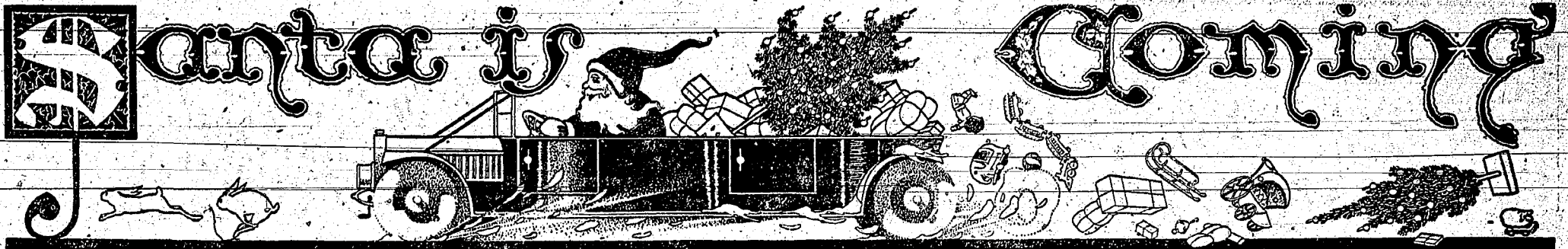
Selection and buying ceases to be hard work when you call at our store. Our stock is larger and more complete than ever.

MANICURE SETS, TOILET SETS, HAND MIRRORS, BRASS AND BRONZE GOODS, PIPES, CANDY, CIGARS, HOLLY BOXES, CHRISTMAS LETTERS, BOOKLETS and TOYS, CALENDARS, and STATIONERY

Moore's None-Leakable Fountain Pens Every Pen the best of its kind, every one absolutely guaranteed.

Books! Books! Books! We have the best line ever shown in the city.

A.M. Lewis & Co.
Druggists and Booksellers

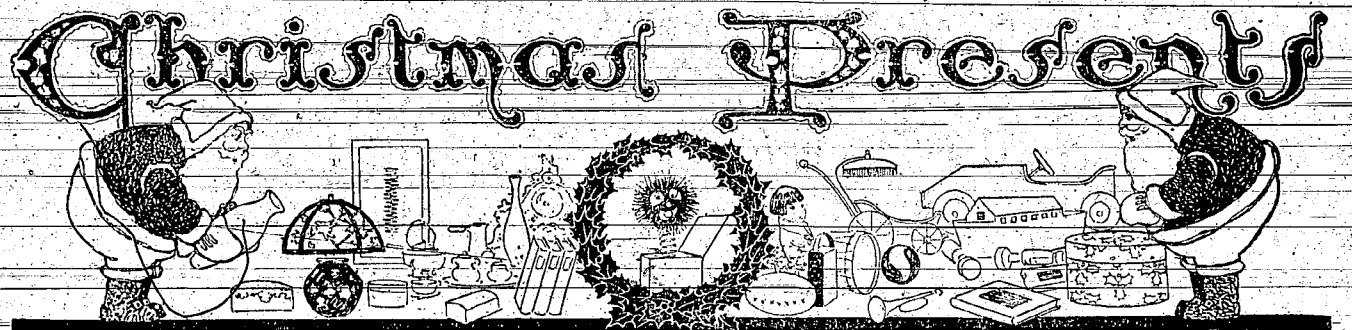


Our line of X-Mas Gifts is now most complete. Christmas Shoppers will find our store full of practical articles which will make an ideal gift for any one. A few "hints" that may be of use to you in making up your selections.

Ladies Department	Men's Department	Children's Department
Furs, Coats Waists, Shoes Slippers Linen of every kind Neckwear Gloves, Mitts Handkerchiefs Hosiery, etc.	Overcoats, Suits Hats, Caps Slippers, Gloves Mitts, Handkerchiefs Mufflers Neckwear Hosiery, Shirts Underwear Sweaters, etc.	Furs, Dresses Coats, Shoes Gloves and Mitts Hosiery, Underwear Ribbons, Sweaters Aviation Caps, Booties Bonnets, etc.

It will Interest you to inspect our lines of Comforters, Blankets all heavy WINTER GOODS

Grayling Mercantile Company



Holiday Goods!

Follow the Crowd, Something New!

Looking over our fine selection of X-Mas Goods is one of the happy moments of the shopper. The display is large and easy to select from.

A few Suggestions for the Busy Shopper:

Suitable Presents for Gentlemen	Suitable Presents for Ladies.	Suitable Presents for Children of all Ages
Smokers Sets Tobacco Jars Necktie Boxes Necktie Racks Clothing Brushes in sets Pipe Racks Cigar Jars Wine Sets Mustache Cups Shaving Mugs Shaving Sets Ink Wells Traveling Sets Collar and Cuff Boxes Pictures Paper Weights Books Desk sets Don't miss our display of large leather rock ers.	Vases, Statuary Pictures, Water sets Parlor Lamps Sugar and cream sets Cake Plates Bread and Butter Plates Steins Pitchers and Jugs Hair Receivers Mirrors, Pin Trays Photo Frames Rose Bowls Spoon Trays Handkerchief Boxes Writing sets Work boxes Shopping bags Sofa Pillows Tables, Rockers and other furniture of all descriptions.	are plentiful and well displayed, dolls, drinking mugs, rubber balls, games, tea sets, stoves, books, toy tables, chairs, black boards, rocking horses, air rifles, sleighs, rubber animals.

Our Bargain Counter.

Never before have we had so many good values to close out at cut prices. They are last years goods, some slightly damaged from being on the counter, others as good as ever, not damaged in the least, very suitable for presents.

Prices cut regardless of cost.

This is a partial list of the many items:
2 dressed dolls, former price \$3.25, now 75c each
3 dressed dolls, former price \$1.40, now 25c each
Toy Furniture, former price 50c, now 25c each
Doll Carts, former price \$1.50 to 2.25, now 90c each
Games, former price 15c, now 5c each
1 Toilet set, former price \$2.00, now 1.00
1 Collar and Cuff box, former price \$4.50, now 1.90
1 Comb and Brush Tray, former price 5.00, now 1.90

Large assortment of Plates and Dishes, at less than half price, and many other good things worth looking into.

Sorenson Brothers

AVALANCHE,
Grayling, Mich.

Name
Address

Please enter my order for subscription to the
Avalanche beginning with your next issue.

One Year, \$1.50; Six Months, \$.75; Three Months, \$.40

Cigars in Christmas boxes, from 25c to \$4.00 a box, at Olaf Sorenson & Son's.

Wm. Woodburn and wife are visiting at the home of the former's aunt, Mrs. J. B. Woodburn.

A rare opportunity to buy a very suitable present at a low price, read Sorenson's advertisement.

Vernon Aldrich, of Rosecommon, was admitted to Mercy hospital this week with an injured arm.

Mrs. Peter Jensen underwent an operation at Mercy hospital, Tuesday, and is getting along nicely.

Just got in the finest line of Toys ever seen in Grayling. Buy your toys at M. Bremer's and save money.

Santa Claus will be here in Grayling, Saturday, December 31st, at 11 o'clock, a.m. Come to meet him.

The piano pupils of Miss Edith McPhee gave a recital at the home of Mrs. A. M. Lewis last evening. Parents of pupils were invited guests.

Miss Margaret Hemmingson, who has been working in Johannesburg for some time, is home again, and is the new clerk at Simpson's grocery store.

Miss L. M. Sims will leave for her home in Michigan next Tuesday to visit her mother and expects to be absent about two months, during which time the millinery store will be closed.

Read the City Bakery's free Vacuum cleaner ad this week.

Mrs. A. H. Brady spent the latter part of last week in Bay City.

Wanted: A new hitch cow at once. Dec. 12 if Julius Nelson.

President and Mrs. T. W. Hanson and baby Virginia spent Saturday and Sunday in Bay City.

Miss Johanna Henrikson was absent from the post office one day last week on account of illness.

Our readers will find interesting local news on page 4, 5, 6, and 7. Examine each page carefully.

Horse for sale cheap. Weight about 1000 pounds. Good for work or driving. Price \$50.00. JOHN STRPHAN.

Mrs. F. DeFran, of Chesebogan, who has been in Mercy hospital for some time, left for her home last Tuesday.

Topics next Sunday at the Methodist church are: Morning "Glory to God in the Highest"; evening "The Eastern Star." Children's exercises, Christmas eve, at 7 o'clock. Please come early so that services will not be interrupted.

Dr. S. N. Insley gave an old fashioned Grayling stag party last Tuesday evening, in honor of Dr. W. W. Westcott of Ewan. The evening was most pleasantly spent in playing cards. Excellent refreshments were served to the guests, who remained until a late hour.

Several of our public spirited ladies have joined together to provide toys, food and clothing for the less fortunate citizens of our village. The ladies will meet at Langevin's barn on next Saturday to fill and prepare baskets and voluntary contribution of clothing may be sent there. Cash contributions to this commendable cause may be sent to T. Hanson who is circulating a contribution paper, and who may not be able to see all those who wish to contribute. Let us see that all of our needy are made happy this Christmas.

The young people of this city were somewhat surprised last week, when the marriage of two pupils—young people was announced in the names of Miss Anna W. Lesprance and Mr. Ernest R. Woodburn, son of Mrs. J. B. Woodburn, which took place at the Methodist parsonage, last Thursday evening. Rev. V. J. Hutton performed the ceremony with the ring service. Miss Bertha Woodburn, the sister of the groom, acted as bridesmaid, and Mr. Mose Lesprance, the brother of the bride as groomsmen. They are at home to their friends at the home of the groom's mother.

Gov. Osborne has written a letter to Mr. R. Hanson, who has proffered to the Michigan National Guard, a tract of land of about 15,000 acres as a gift for a permanent camp site. In the letter the Governor says: "Before retiring as governor, I wish to express my official appreciation and the appreciation of the people of Michigan for your great generosity in offering to deed to the state about 15,000 acres of land on and about Portage Lake, Crawford county, for the purpose of a permanent encampment for the Michigan National Guards. It is a public act of rare precedent. I earnestly hope the state will accept your proffer and that it will be a perpetual monument to your patriotism."

